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Mr. Will Kempton, Director  
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Attention: Federal Resources Office, Room 3500  
For Ross A. Chittenden, Transportation Programming

Dear Mr. Kempton:

SUBJECT: RURAL (NON-MPO) 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP AMENDMENT NO. 1

We have completed our review of Amendment Number 1 to the rural, non-Metropolitan Planning Organization (non-MPO) portion of the 2004/05-2006/07 Federal Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (FSTIP). This amendment applies specifically to the inclusion of Recreational Trail Program funded projects in El Dorado, Mono and Mendocino Counties, consistent with your letter dated November 9, 2004.

We accept this amendment in accordance with 23 CFR Part 450 and find that the amendment is based on a continuing, cooperative, and comprehensive transportation planning process in accord with the statewide planning provisions of 23 USC 135. The changes proposed to the FSTIP by this amendment are for non-regionally significant projects proposed for implementation with Recreational Trails Program in areas of the State of California that are designated as attainment or unclassified for Federal air quality standards and, as a consequence, are not subject to the requirement that a conformity determination be made. These findings have been coordinated with the Region IX office of Federal Transit Administration, pursuant to the single mode amendment procedures outlined in the Memorandum of Understanding between the Federal Highway Administration, California Division, and the Federal Transit Administration, Region IX, dated July 15, 2004.

This letter constitutes joint Federal Highway Administration and Federal Transit Administration approval for the inclusion of Amendment Number 7 for the rural non-MPO areas of the State into California's 2004/05-2006/07 FSTIP. We have determined that this FSTIP Amendment does not adversely impact the FSTIP Financial Plan or the ability to demonstrate that the FSTIP is financially constrained.

Sincerely,

/s/ Wade Hobbs

For  
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